Adler Draws Praise from Seniors and Veterans Groups

MARLTON, NEW JERSEY - Congressman John Adler was successful in his fight to make sure seniors and veterans receive tax relief under the stimulus package. Because of his efforts, New Jersey's seniors and veterans will receive a \$250 economic recovery payment from the federal government. Today, the President is expected to sign the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act* [H.R. 1] into law.

"During these tough economic times, we must ensure that we take care of our seniors and veterans," said Adler. "They helped build this country, and more now than ever, they deserve our support."

Congressman Adler's work included an estimated 20 million seniors and 250,000 veterans in the economic recovery package.

Congressman Adler received praise from prominent seniors and veterans groups. "Congress man Adler's commitment to seniors is an asset to our membership, and his efforts to secure an economic recovery payment for retirees and veterans is greatly appreciated," said David Sloane, Senior Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy at AARP.

Congressman Adler also received recognition from the VFW. Al Bucchi, member of the VFW's National Legislative Committee and Legislative Director of VFW NJ, said, "This legislation provides an excellent opportunity to honor and give back to those men and women who have sacrificed so much to our nation. We thank Congressman Adler for his advocacy and look forward to working with him in the future."

When Congressman Adler reviewed the first draft of the economic recovery package, he realized that retired or unemployed seniors and disabled veterans would not receive the "Making Work Pay" tax rebate for American workers. Congressman Adler realized this oversight, introduced the *Safeguarding America's Seniors and Veterans Act*, and fought to have it included in the final economic recovery package.

Steny Hoyer, the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, credited Congressman Adler for securing a solid victory for seniors and veterans. "John Adler made this tax rebate a top! priority," said Hoyer. "Through tireless effort and hard work, he has! helped to ensure that! seniors and veterans will receive their fair share of the recovery package."